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Subject: Special Work Opportunity - R&A Cases (On Behalf of CIJ Keller)
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Dear Colleagues,

OCIJ is soliciting volunteers to serve as part of a corps of Adjudicating Officials to review these cases, which involve applications for recognition and accreditation (R&A) and requests for reconsideration of denials. In anticipation of an increase in the number of these R&A applications and requests for reconsideration, we are seeking approximately 3 Immigration Judges, who will be assigned cases on a rotating basis by Assistant Chief Immigration Judge Dufresne, who is supervising the program.

If you are interested in participating, please provide a brief statement including any information that you would like us to consider, such as experience with or specialized training in R&A matters (although such experience and training is not a prerequisite). Submit your statement to ACIJ Dufresne, with a copy to your ACIJ, by **COB on August 10th**. We would like a broad range of locations covered.

As background, 8 CFR §1292.18 states, “the Director has the discretionary authority to review a request for reconsideration...that has been denied. The Director may delegate this authority to any office within EOIR, except the OLAP Director.” OCIJ has been delegated the authority to review the requests for reconsideration of denied R&A applications. For further information, the rules governing accreditation can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 1292.2. Volunteers will be provided with training.

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Chief Immigration Judge